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[Despatch Abstract.]

Land Development - Waste lands free of malaria colonisation - papers Recorded.

To A.S.

In 1946 the Director of Public Health submitted estimates for the execution of the following works in order of priority for control of malaria in the Wynad Colonisation areas.

		Estimates. Rs.
I. (a)	Experimental stone pitching of Ambala voyal and Neerchal streams.	43,000
(b)	Sluicing adjacent streams	20,600
II.	Sluicing of Sultan's Battery area streams	82,000
III.	Sluticing of Nallarchal and Vaduvanchal streams	3,12,800
IV.	Slucing of other streams in the colonisation area	5,27,200
		9,85,600

The estimates were considered in full circulation and the items I (a) and (b) were sanctioned for execution during 1946-47. The other items were ordered to be taken up during 1947-48. In that connection, Sri K.Koti Reddy H.M.(H.R.E.) in the previous Ministry, while agreeing for sanctioning the works I (a) and (b) minuted that he won't mind if the expenditure incurred in commensurate with the benefit to be conferred on the people, and that there are vast tracts of land which are free from malaria, which can be used for colonisiation and that, before incurring any further expenditure on other items of work ~~or~~ proposed, he suggested a thorough examination of the point raised by him. He also suggested that investigation may be made as to whether spraying D.D.T. accassionally would be more costly or less costly for preventing malaria. With reference to the suggestion of the lat H.M.(H.R.E.) the Board of Revenue was asked to report in consultation with the Collectors and Director of Public Health, whether there are any large tracts of land in any of the Districts in the Province free of malaria which can be taken up for colonisation. The Director of Pulbic Health was asked to report whether sparaying D.D.T.occassionally in malarial tracts would be more or less costly for preventing malaria than other methods of control. The Director of Public Health has stated that so far as control of malaria in rural patts is concerned, spraying with D.D.T. will be less costly ~~if~~ population is relatively large and breeding places of vector species are limited, antilarval mensures are said to be preferable though the cost of the measures will depend on a number of factors such as those referred to ~~at X on p.5.c.f.~~ ~~than~~ than other anti-larval measures. But in places where the

Subsequently on the report of the Director of Public Health, Government abandoned the scheme ~~of~~ of stone-pitching the channels etc. sanctioned in G.O.49 Public (P & D) dated 8_1-47 viz.items I (a) and (b) above and approved the suggestion of the Director of Public Health to adopt anti-larval measures with D.D.T. and Pyrethrum as the main methods of control.

The Board of Revenue has furnished list of waste lands free of malaria available and the Director of Public Health has offered his remarks with regard to the Malarial aspects of these lands. The particulars furnished by the Board and the Director of Public Health, has been tabulated in the statement ~~at (X)~~. It may be seen therefrom that no lands free from malaria are available in the districts of Vizagapatam, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Ramnad, Coimbatore Nilgiris and Malabar and that such available areas have been taken up for ex-servicemen colonisation schemes in the districts is about 36,000 acres. The Collector of Krishna (~~Guntur~~ East Godavari, North Arcot, S.Arcot, and Tinnevelly. The total area free from Mala distWeli ~)

has also stated that apart from the 800 acres taken up for ex-ex-servicemen colonisation scheme in Kalidindi village, further large blocks of lands free of malaria is available. It will be seen from the statement ~~at (X)~~ that the 36,000 acres available is made up of small blocks in 12 districts.

In this connection, it may be stated that Government propose to make individual grants of land to Harijans, ex-servicemen and Political sufferrs besides the land colonisation schemes for ex-servicemen. These persons may generally be expected to apply for grant of lands which are free of malaria and considerable extent of these lands may be granted to these classes of people. It is not known what extent of land will be available for colonisation purposes after making grant to Harijans, ex-political sufferers etc. Further, the Government considered some time back the question of developing an area of about 20,000 acres of land in Gudalur Taluk of Nilgiris District and an area of 25,000 acres in Gudem Agency in Vizagaptam District Due to loss of Revenue in Prohibition and the state of Provincial finanaces, this Government dropped the proposals on the ground of heavy cost and pending completion of the Wynad and Araku Valley Schemes. On the same grounds, the Government also dropped further action on the report of the Anti-malaria Committee which proposed the carying out of anti-malarial operations in the vast tracts of malarial land in the Agency tracts and bringing them under cultivation. Further one of the suggestions made by the Food Grains Policy Committee for stepping up production of food grains appreciably in the next five years is the establishment of an autonomous Central Land Reclamation Organisation with a capital of 50 ~~core~~ crores to undertake the planning and execution of land reclamation projects in the whole of India. The Government of India are considering the recommendation of the Policy Committee.

In the circumstances, it is for consideration whether any further action is necessary in regard to the question of colonising waste lands free of malaria. For orders. | A

After orders are passed Revenue, Education and Public Health and Finance may see for remarks.

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Reveneue Department.

To U.S.

Please see Development note from page 4 ante. In the circumstances stated this Department may agree with 'A' on page ~~8 ante~~ above and the file may be passed on to Education and Public Health.

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Education and Public Health

This Department also may agree with A ~~on page 8 ante~~. above the file may be passed on to Finance.

Sd...26/8/48.

Finance (A.A.)Department.

(Previous Finannce note on page 5 above). anti

The summarizing notes from page 4 above may be perused. Finance may also agree that no action is necessary in regard to the question of of colonising waste land free of malaria.

Sd....
28/ 9/48.

Development (P & D I)Department.

Development Department.

Assistant
To Under Secretary.

Notes from the page 4 above may be perused. Revenue, Education and Public Health and Finance Department have agreed to the proposal of Finance Department at 'A' on page 3 above namely to the question of colonising waste lands free from malaria. The Revenue may now be circulated for orders on 'A' on page 3 above. (2) that no action is necessary in regard to (1)

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Joint Secry.
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To A.S.

The papers may be now be recorded as a G.O.

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